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James Bond in the Real World

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France is the launching site for Communist espionage in the free world. The nation's top tool in combating this is the highly secret SDECE (Service de Documentation Exterieur et de Contre-Espionage) directly under the Minister of the Interior. And in the opinion of our own Central Intelligence Agency it has the best pipelines into the Kremlin of any intelligence apparatus.

The SDECE includes several services although its anatomy has been hitherto unrevealed.

SERVICE ONE is pure espionage, subdivided into bureaus under the initial "R" for Renseignement (information). The bureaus are divided by zones of the world.

Surprisingly, in Western intelligence organizations, there is usually more spying on allies than on enemies. There are two reasons. First, it's easier to do. Second, while you know exactly where your enemy stands, you seldom know this with an ally. So, send out the agents, spread the espionage and keep yourself up to date.

Section Two concerns itself with counterespionage. The guardians of secrets must be even more competent than the agents seeking them — otherwise the secrets are lost. In dealing with an enemy spy cell you start with counterespionage, go on to intelligence and then on to deception.

Services Three and Four (now consolidated) comprise the anti-Communist section. Communists have heavily infiltrated the West Ger-

man Bundesnachrichtendienst (BND) espionage apparatus, as they did the former Nazi Army ABWER anti-Soviet intelligence division, and this nightmare currently besets the SDECE.

BRAVE COL. Pierre Thyraud de Vosjole, who served 10 years as chief liaison officer for the SDECE in Washington, worked in Service Four. Through him senior Soviet KGB officer Anatole Dolnystsin, who fled to the West, unmasked both Kim Philby, the British master spy and George Paques, the NATO spy sent to a French jail.

Service Four is also linked with the French Security Police (DST), camp headquarters of the Gendarmerie Nationale at Satory.

Another undercover arm is the Brigade Criminal of the Police Judiciare at 36 Quai des Orfevres in Paris. The anti-riot squads, known to every Frenchman simply as the CRS, are the Corps Republicain de Securite. And all these organizations work closely with Interpol, the international police headquartered in the Paris suburb of St. Clow.

PRESIDENT GEORGES POMPIDOU and Prime Minister Jacques Chaban-Delmas are both men who, as the French say, "crossed the desert" with Charles d'Gaulle, meaning those who went into political obscurity with him while he was out of power from 1947 to 1959 and that Communist pressures, contrived demonstrations and relentless espionage played a constant part in the government failures.

They back the secret SDECE, the DST, etc., to the limit. And they also staunchly insist that proper intelligence services are tools for the defense of democracy, not weapons to kill it.

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The Washington Merry-Go-Round

Rep. Reid May Quit GOP Over Veto

By Jack Anderson

Rep. Ogden Reid (R-N.Y.), whose forebears helped found the Republican Party 100 years ago, has made a slashing attack on President Nixon that raises the possibility Reid will leave the party.

Reid, a grandson of a GOP vice presidential candidate, accuses Mr. Nixon in a forthcoming article in Redbook of "utterly and completely untrue statements" that "distorted" the facts on Reid's controversial day-care bill.

Unlike mavericks like Rep. Pete McCloskey (R-Calif.), Reid's Republican credentials are formidable. He was President Eisenhower's Ambassador to Israel, publisher-editor of the Republican New York Herald-Tribune, and a member of Gov. Nelson Rockefeller's cabinet.

Yet the vehemence of his attack on Mr. Nixon has intimates whispering that he may kick over a century of GOP blood lines and join the Democrats.

Reid's \$2.1 billion bill to provide day-care centers for working mothers was sabotaged by the White House, then vetoed by the President after it passed the House.

"In his veto message," writes Reid, President Nixon "so distorted the facts about the program as to leave the American public with a vague feeling that day care is some

kind of Communist plot to snatch children from their parents, destroy the family and infiltrate the country with four-year-old revolutionaries."

The President indulged in "fear tactics," said Reid. "It is utterly and completely untrue that, as the President charges, day care under our bill would diminish parental authority."

The congressman, generally as cool and sleek as a seal, said President Nixon killed day care to appease "his right-wing supporters." Reid wrote passionately:

"Presumably he finds such federal expenditures as \$5 billion annually on highways, \$5.5 billion on farm subsidies, \$3.5 billion on space exploration and \$1.5 billion on civil works produce greater benefits for the country than helping our children grow into productive adults."

Footnote: Reid gave some clue to his disaffection when he recently charged the Nixon administration with allowing 347 price increases while it was granting only 57 wage hikes. He also criticized the administration over its "Phoenix" plan in Vietnam for assassinating alleged Vietcong leaders.

Pompidou-Brandt Feud

An awkward confrontation between France's President Georges Pompidou and West Germany's Chancellor Willy Brandt, according to secret intelligence reports, took place not long ago in Paris.

The Central Intelligence Agency reported that the talks "were outwardly friendly, but a tough position was taken on substantive issues and no significant agreements were made."

"A heated exchange took place after the Brandt-Pompidou dinner," states the secret report, "when (German) Economics and Finance State Secretary Johann Baptist Schoellhorn told Pompidou that France was profiting from and encouraging the inflation afflicting other European countries."

"Schoellhorn went on to tell Pompidou that the FRG (Federal Republic of Germany) was not in accord with this policy and was not about to assist France in its pursuit."

"According to members of Brandt's party, Brandt stood by and visibly enjoyed Pompidou's discomfiture. Schoellhorn supported his accusations with details which Pompidou was unable to refute."

"The Brandt-Pompidou meeting got off to a bad start when Pompidou opened the proceedings by launching a strong attack on FRG Economics and Finance Minister Karl Schiller's economic policy, which Pompidou said benefited only the U.S."

Public vs. Polluters

A bipartisan band of House conservationists has rallied to pass a clean water package instead of the public works com-

mittee bill that loosens federal pollution controls.

The environmentalists, led by Reps. John Dingell (D-Mich.), Henry Reuss (D-Wis.) and John Saylor (R-Pa.), would set 1981 as a "zero discharge goal" for water polluters.

They want tougher federal controls and favor citizen court suits to block big polluters.

The showdown between the clean water men and the supporters of the public works bill is expected shortly, with a bitter floor fight almost certain.

Cuban Rebuff

Red China's invitation to the United States to play ping-pong began what both countries hope will be an era of better feelings.

But when a private film group in New York invited Cuban film directors to attend a festival for Cuban films, the State Department huffily refused to let the Cubans enter the United States.

Nazi Hunter

Dr. Zoltan Deak, of New York City, died recently in the midst of helping us seek out ex-Nazi supporters in the councils of the GOP. The Hungarian-American lapsed into a final coma moments after telling his wife to urge us to keep up our work on the World War II right-wingers.

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Inside Labor

Have We Been Spooked Out of the SST?

By VICTOR RIESEL

WASHINGTON — It might have been the man from U.N.C.L.E. Or, since truth is consistently cornier than fiction, the CIA's theory is he was a counterspook.

Whoever he was, he appeared dignified, erudite, properly structured and every inch the high French official which he represented himself to be. When he turned off the Champs Elysees into the American Embassy in Paris, he carried a well-tailored, Madison Ave.-type report — with statistics and opinions attached.

In effect, what the French gentleman aerospace engineer-economist said in his heavy document presented to U.S. diplomats was that the British-French supersonic aircraft, the Concorde, was not viable. It

was not economic. It will never really be built. The report seemed to prove conclusively that the Concorde would never make it. It would never be put into production.

The French "government official" left taking his impeccable credentials with him and leaving his incredible report behind. This was well over a year ago and our ambassador to the Elysee Palace was Sargent Shriver. He dispatched it by pouch to the State Department which routed it along to other government agencies — asking what economic impact would it have on the U.S. if we built a supersonic transport (SST) and the French and British did not. What would happen to our balance of trade as we increased travel speed?

No idle question, this.

If we build a supersonic transport which can carry some 250 to 300 passengers to Europe in 2 hours and we fly a number of daily round trips, American tourism would rocket and dollars would pour out of the U.S. Now, if the British and French were not going to build an SST, if the Concorde really was being abandoned as the mysterious Frenchman would have our Paris embassy believe, then the flight of European tourists into the U.S. certainly would not match the outflow and we, the U.S. would lose hundreds of millions of dollars annually in the tourist balance of trade.

So why spend millions now on an American SST?

But we do have some aerospace experts in the U.S. They knew that the strange, albeit highly polished, report handed

to our embassy in Paris contradicted reports from French industrial and aerospace circles. So the Central Intelligence Agency and Air Force intelligence moved in. They found enough to convince themselves that the mystery visitor was a French spook.

The British and French certainly were speeding the Concorde along. It was in advanced stages hour after hour. If it moved out fast, without facing American competition, it could cut in on \$100 billion worth of commercial flying equipment which will be sold during the next 10 years.

At this moment the U.S. dominates the commercial aircraft industry. It sells 85 percent of all such carriers. Our aerospace industry means bread and butter for more manufacturing workers than does any other — including auto and steel.

So the Frenchman's play was no happy-ending television script.